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Rejection of Claim 68 Under 35 U.S.C. §112, Second Paragraph

The Office Action has rejected claim 68 as indefinite under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph because it depends from a cancelled claim and because there is no antecedent basis for the phrase "NFkB peptides or proteins."

Applicants submit that the cancellation of claim 68 herein renders this rejection moot. Applicants respectfully request the withdrawal of this rejection.

Upon entry of the proposed amendment, Applicants submit that all issues raised in the Final Office Action are addressed and all remaining claims are allowed. Applicants respectfully request the issuance of a Notice of Allowance as to the remaining claims in a timely manner.

Respectfully submitted,

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